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## Chief Justice Lambert appoints retired Judge Daniel J. Venters to Kentucky Board of Bar Examiners Venter's scholarship, experience cited in appointment

FRANKFORT, Ky., June 30, 2005 — Chief Justice Joseph E. Lambert announced today the appointment of Judge Daniel J. Venters to the Kentucky Board of Bar Examiners. Judge Venters served as a circuit judge for Lincoln, Pulaski and Rockcastle counties before his retirement in 2002. He is now in private law practice in Somerset.

"Judge Venters is a fine legal scholar who served ably as a Kentucky district and circuit judge for more than 20 years," said Chief Justice Lambert. "He will be an outstanding bar examiner."

Judge Venters is a native of Charleston, W.Va. He earned a bachelor's degree from Ohio State University and a juris doctor from the University of Kentucky College of Law. He served for four years as an assistant commonwealth's attorney during U.S. Rep. Hal Rogers' tenure as commonwealth's attorney for Pulaski County. Judge Venters was appointed to district court in 1979 and elected to circuit court in 1983.

Judge Venters is a member of the Pulaski County Bar Association. He and his wife, attorney Jane Adams Venters, reside in Somerset.

The Kentucky Board of Bar Examiners acts as an arm of the Supreme Court of Kentucky in administering the state's bar examination. The examination, given on two occasions per year, is composed of two major sections, an essay examination prepared and graded by the board, and a multiple-choice national examination. Applicants must successfully complete the examination prior to admission to the practice of law in Kentucky. In addition, applicants must successfully complete a professional responsibility examination. Judge Venters will be one of seven attorneys statewide who serve as bar examiners.

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